EXHIBIT "D"

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 2:05CV527-F GERALD RUHNOW and CONNIE RUHNOW,

Plaintiffs.

VS.

LANE HEARD TRUCKING, LLC, et al,

Defendants

DEPOSITION OF:

ARNOLD G. RICHARDSON

TAKEN AT THE INSTANCE: Defendant Lane Heard Trucking

DATE:

Thursday, April 13, 2006

TIME:

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Thomasville, Georgia

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THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're on the record. This is the videotaped deposition of Gene Richardson being held at 225 North Broad Street, in Thomasville, Georgia, on Thursday, April 13th, 2006. The time is

11:06 a.m.

We're here in the matter of Ruhnow versus Lane Heard Trucking being heard in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama. Northern Division, Case No. 205-CV-527-F.

My name is Barbara Graves; the court reporter is Lori Dezell with Accurate Stenotype Reporters.

Counsel, please introduce yourselves and the witness will be sworn.

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MR, SPARROW: Callen Sparrow on behalf of the 25

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1	plaintiff.		what happened.
2	MR. HUNTER: Jeff Hunter on behalf of the		A Okay.
3	defendant, Michael Adkins.	3	Q Do you understand that we're videotaping this for
4	MR. GARRETT: Brett Garrett on behalf of the	4 ⊢	
5	defendant, Christy Champion.	5	presenting
6	MR, GILLUM: Randolph Gillum on behalf of the	6	A Yes. Q to the jury? Okay. And do you understand
7	plaintiff, Northland Insurance.	7	
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12	was called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was	12	may also have a few questions to ask you. If you don't
13	examined and testified as follows:	13	understand something I'm asking, please let me know. I
14	DIRECT EXAMINATION	14	don't always frame questions correctly.
15	BY MS. HAMMETT:	15	Also, if you need to take a break at any point,
16	Q Hey, Mr. Richardson, I'm Katie Hammett again.	16	just let me know.
17	Can you state for the record your full name?	17	A Okay.
18	A My full name is Arnold Gene Richardson. I go by	18	Q You stated on March 7, 2005 you were traveling on
19	my middle name.	19	Highway 231 in Troy, Alabama?
20	Q And what's your date of birth?	20	A Right.
21	A February 14th, 1936.	21	Q And did you witness an accident
22	Q Valentine's Day.	22	MR. SPARROW: Are you-all there?
23	A Yeah.	23	MS. HAMMETT: Can you hear us?
24	Q Your social security number?	24	MR. SPARROW: I can now. I couldn't for a second
25	A 514-26-5208.	25	there.
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1	Q And what's your current address?	1	MS. HAMMETT: Okay. Well, we're here.
2	A 276-B, Timber Ridge Drive, Thomasville, Georgia,	2	MR. GARRETT: I couldn't hear you either.
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1 2 3 4 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 22 22 24 25 25	convinced we had passed. I decided to get into the left lane and find the first place I could to turn around. And right after I got into the left lane of the highway, my wife said, "What's that?" And I glanced over and I could see on the, on the road, and it was just about the time I passed it before I could even see it, and it was a motorcycle laying in the road. And I told her, I said, "Well, that's a motorcycle." I was proceeding about 55 miles an hour. So I started slowing up. And we were discussing, I said, "Maybe I need to get stopped so we can see if we can help somebody get that off the road." About that time I looked in the rear view mirror. By this time I was — I had just slowed up. I hadn't really stopped. I saw the truck headlights coming in that lane. And I told my wife, I says, "Look, he's not going to see that motorcycle." And about that time he hit the motorcycle. By this time I had slowed almost to a complete stop and I was probably a quarter of a mile down the road. And I watched in the rear view mirror as the truck ran over the motorcycle, drug the motorcycle, and it appeared he was out of control. The motorcycle was showering a lot of sparks. And before he went very far, he	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	MS. HAMMETT: All right. Can you hear me now? MR. HUNTER: Yes. MR. GARRETT: Yes. MR. SPARROW: Yeah. MS. HAMMETT: Let's go off the record for a minute and see if we can figure this out. THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the record. (Off the record.) THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. We're back on the record. BY MS. HAMMETT: Q Okay, Mr. Richardson. You said you were traveling northbound or southbound on Highway 231? A Southbound. Q And it — do you recall what time of night this was? A It was — I don't know the exact time but it was very dark. It was well after dark. Q And do you remember if there were overhead ligh on Highway 231? A There were none in the — in this area. Q Okay. A Because it was very, very dark. Q Okay. And is it your testimony that you did not
1 2		25	see the motorcycle until you were passing it? Page 12
		10 11 12 13 14 15	A That's correct. It was very dark and you could not see it. The motorcycle apparently was a black or a very dark color. And I only saw it when I was just close enough that the lights kind of caught it. Probably 20, 30 feet at the most in front of me. Q And so were you in the right lane or the left lane? A I was in the left lane at that point. Q And the motorcycle was lying in the right-hand lane? A It was laying in the right-hand lane almost to the center, almost to the center line. Q Do you know why the motorcycle was lying in the road? A No, I don't. I didn't at the time. A policeman told me later that he had had an accident, run into a car, but I didn't see that at all.
1	8 This is Brett Garrett. I can't hear anything you-all	18	Q Did you observe anyone around the motorcycle A As I passed. I caught in the corner of my eye, it

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MR. SPARROW: I missed that last question and

MR. GARRETT: I'm getting like a four-second

MR. HUNTER: And that's the same with me,

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	left-hand lane? A Correct. Q Prior to passing the motorcycle? A That's right. Q And why had you changed lanes? A Because I was getting ready to turn around. We were looking for the Wal-Mart and we had obviously passed it. And we decided we had gone too far and decided we had passed it. So I got into the left lane so that I could turn left the next place I could see. Q So you didn't get into the left-hand lane to	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	MR. GILLUM: I mean, I'm this is Randolph. I'm still here. MR. HUNTER: This is Jeff. I'm still here. MR. GARRETT: Brett is still here too. MS. HAMMETT: Okay. We had a beep so I just wanted to make sure. BY MS. HAMMETT: Q So once you observed the truck begin going into the southbound traffic is that correct, it crossed the median and went into the lane that would be the southbound traffic? A It looked like it went in kind of a large arc. It looked to me like the truck was out of control. I doubt if he had any control at all. Q And you observed that the motorcycle was underneath the truck at that point? A Yes. Q And it was A It was dragging it and it continued to drag it because it kept showering sparks all the way across. Q And so then you observed a truck traveling southbound on 231? A I did not see that truck. I was watching in the rear view mirror concentrating on the truck that was dragging the motorcycle. I was far enough down the road
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	4 and attitudes to a quarter of a mile down the road	1	that I didn't see what he hit, which I learned later it was

probably close to a quarter of a mile down the road.

Q Do you remember anything about the truck? Could you see what color it was or anything like that?

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Q Do you know how fast the truck was going?

A I have no way to know or - no, I don't.

Q Can you -- and just -- we've kind of had some interruptions. Can you tell me one more time about what happened with the truck hitting the motorcycle. Just describe that for me one more time.

A Okay. I was look - watching this in my rear 12 view mirror, and I could see the truck hit the motorcycle. 13 And the reason I know it did, the motorcycle started 14 spewing sparks because the truck was obviously dragging it. 15 And it drug it and the truck started towards the left side. 16 And within just a second or two, the motorcycle burst into 17 flames. And then within a second or so later, the truck 18 burst into flames. By this time it was about halfway over 19 towards the other side of the road.

Q So you observed then the truck hit the motorcycle 21 and then started veering into southbound traffic?

A Yes.

23 MR. SPARROW: Hello?

MS. HAMMETT: Is everyone there?

MR. SPARROW: Yeah. Callen - this is Callen. 25

that I didn't see what he hit, which I learned later it was another truck. But I did see that when he hit it, again just watching in the rear view mirror, I saw a huge explosion and plume of fire when he got over to the other 4 side of the road. 5

Q Okay. And did you stop after you observed it?

A Yes, I was totally stopped by the time he got to the other side of the road.

Q Okay. And did you give a statement to the police 10 that night?

A The next morning.

Q All right. So did you assist after this accident?

A No. I was going to turn around. My wife was 14 scared and she said that, "Please, let's get out of here." 15 And she was very worried that, you know, that - in the 16 first place there was really nothing we could do. And so I 17 have a navigation system and I looked down and found a road 18 just ahead of where I was that I could see it went up and 19 around the accident. So I followed that road on to the 20 other side of the accident. 21

Q So at the time that you left the scene, what was 22 the last thing you observed? There was fire? 23

A Lots of fire. 24

Q Okay. And did you see any people at that point?

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		1	MR, SPARROW: I'll shortcut it. Brett, the
1	A No. Q So how did you come to make a statement to the	2	question as I understood it was, if you had been in
2		3	the lane with the motorcycle, would you have been able
3	police then?	4	to avoid it. Is that correct, Katie?
4	A The next morning I saw the news item and it said	5	MS, HAMMETT: Yes, that's correct.
5	that a truck had hit another truck. And I told my wife	. 6	MR. MANAUSA: And I objected, and the –
6	there was no mention of the motorcycle, and surely there	7	Mr. Richardson's answer was that he would not have
7	were other witnesses that knew that the truck had hit the	-	been able to avoid it or he would have hit it. Is
8	motorcycle, which was in my opinion what caused the wreck.	8	that accurate?
9	And I felt like I needed to go let them know that I did at	9	MS. HAMMETT: Yes, that was accurate. Does
10	least witness that much. And that's why I went to them and	10	anyone else need do you need to object to the form?
11	gave the report.	11	anyone eise need - do you need to object to the form:
12	Q If if you had been traveling in the right lane	12	MR. GARRETT: Yeah, I'm going to have to just
13	instead of the left lane, do you think you would have hit	13	because you know, just on the standard form of it.
14	the truck?	14	MS. HAMMETT: And that was Brett?
15	A Absolutely. The motorcycle.	15	MR. GARRETT: Yes, this is Brett Garrett. I'm
16	Q I mean the motorcycle, yeah.	16	sorry.
17	A Oh, yeah. There's no way that you can see that	17	MS. HAMMETT: Okay. Does anyone else have
18	far enough ahead to stop.	18	questions for him?
19	MR. GARRETT: You-all, I'm sorry, I didn't hear	19	MR. SPARROW: Yeah, a few.
20	the last question at all. It was breaking up again.	20	MS. HAMMETT: Why don't you go ahead and let me
21	Would you repeat that last question?	21	look over a couple of things while you do this. Who
22	MR. SPARROW: I didn't hear the question either.	22	is this?
23	MS. HAMMETT: Can you all identify yourselves for	23	MR. SPARROW: This is Callen.
24	the court reporter?	24	MS. HAMMETT: Okay. Why don't you go ahead,
25	MR. GARRETT: This is Brett Garrett. I did not	25	Callen.
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4	hear maybe the last two. There was a real long pause	1	MR. SPARROW: All right.
1	there where there was just static, and I heard you	2	CROSS-EXAMINATION
	break in with your response about halfway through.	3	BY MR. SPARROW:
3	don't know what was said. I'm sorry.	4	Q Mr. Richardson, how are you doing?
4	MS. HAMMETT: That's okay. Why don't can	5	A Fine.
5	let's just have the court reporter read it back and	6	Q Good. I have a few questions for you. As I
6	then you can hear it.	7	understood it, or understand your testimony, you testifie
7	(Requested portion read by reporter.)	8	that you first saw the motorcycle when you were 20 to
8	MR. SPARROW: I also couldn't hear the question,	9	30 feet from it; is that accurate?
9		10	A Yes. At the most, yes.
10	and I'm entering an objection to the question. MS. HAMMETT: Are we under we're under usual	11	Q All right, sir. And at that time you were in the
11		12	left-hand lane?
12	stipulations here, right, guys?	13	A That's correct.
13		14	Q And had been in it for about, I think you said,
14		15	about a half a mile?
15		16	A Yes, at least a half a mile.
16		17	Q Were there any cars in front of you within sight?
17	•	18	A No, there were not.
18	make it clear.	19	Q As I understand it, the truck that struck the
19		20	motorcycle was in the right-land lane the entire time you
20	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1	saw it in your rear view mirror?
21		21	A Yes, it was, at the time it struck the
22		22	
23		23	motorcycle. Q Prior to the impact between that truck and the
24		24	motorcycle, did you see any evasive move or action by
	answer. I'm sorry.	25	- motorcycle did you see any evasive illuve of duliuli by

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1 truck driver which you which appeared to be his trying	1 wer	e no cars close to you, in front of you?
2 to avoid the motorcycle?	2	A That's correct.
MS. HAMMETT: I'm going to object to the form.	3	Q Have you spoken at any time since this wreck wi
4 This is Katie.	4 any	one other than the police officer, investigating troop
5 Q You can answer.	5 wh	o was a witness to the wreck?
6 MS. HAMMETT: Yeah, you can answer.	6	A No, not that was a witness, no, I haven't.
7 A No. Again, I was about a quarter of a mile or so	7	Q All right. Who have you talked to other than the
8 down the road and I couldn't tell that he did, except that	8 pol	ice officer about this wreck?
and the left olds of	9	THE WITNESS: Was it your office, Katie?
9 he did immediately start heading towards the left side of 0 the road. But I think in my opinion that it was at the	10	MS. HAMMETT: Yeah. I've spoken with him.
	11	A Okay. Yeah. And she has spoken with me.
		Q Talked to any other lawyers?
	13	A There was a lawyer that called me and I — and
1	14 too	k a recorded message and sent me an interpretation of
	15 tha	t and asked me to correct it or approve it and send it
	16 bad	ck.
	17	Q All right. Are you familiar or on the night
	18 of	this wreck, were you familiar with this area of 231?
		at a road that you travel often?
ti time a Dod		A No, I had never been there - well, I think I
	√21 ha	ve traveled through that area before, a time or two,
	22 bu	t in the last several years, but I was not familiar
		h the road.
	24	Q And I know you testified that you had not
221 5	25 rea	alized that another truck was involved in the northbo
25 Q Were they out of the highway, were they still in Page 22		Page 2
	1 lan	e, correct?
1 the travel portion of the highway?	2	A That's correct.
A It looked like they were right at the edge of it	3	Q Because your attention was in your rear view
3 heading towards the side of the road. Probably just barely		rror at that point and you didn't see that truck
4 in the road or about this time at the edge of the road.	ı	proach, right?
5 Q All right. And since you've described it as two	,	A That's correct.
6 figures in your peripheral vision, I assume you don't have	E17	Q As you approached what we now know was the are
7 any greater detail as to who those people were or what the	8 wh	nere that motorcycle was, was there traffic coming towa
8 were wearing, et cetera?	9 vo	u in the northbound lane?
9 A No, none whatsoever.	10	A No. At that moment I saw no traffic over there.
10 Q Did you see a car right around there,	11	Q You were kind of by yourself out there at that
11 Mr. Richardson?	1	oment?
12 A No, I didn't. 13 Q Did you notice one in your rear view mirror?	13	A Yes.
	14	Q And didn't see a car?
14 A No, sir, I didn't. 15 Q As you looked in your rear view mirror, did	15	A No, sir, I didn't.
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		osture I'm not sure how to say this how was the
17 road?18 A No. I didn't look in the rear view mirror until	18 m	otorcycle lying in the road? Was it were the two
18 A No. I didn't look in the rear view mirror until	19 w	heels towards the center line or was it perpendicular to
19 I was probably part of the distance down the road and then		e center line or what?
20 glanced up and saw the lights coming. At this point I was	21	A As near as I could tell, I think the wheels were
21 probably at – a few hundred yards down the road.	22 to	ward the side of the road and I think it was probably at
	1	n angle in the road. I don't think it was, you know,
Q Had that motorcycle – or had you recently been	123 ≥	angle in the load. I don't till kit was, you know,
23 passed by a motorcycle on 231 prior to this wreck?	23 ar 24 di	rectly towards the side. But it was just in the road and
passed by a motorcycle on 231 prior to this wreck? A No, I had not seen any motorcycle before that. Q As I understood your earlier testimony, there	24 di	rectly towards the side. But it was just in the road and oked like it was with the wheels more or less towards the

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	_	1	and when it was struck by the truck?
	right side of the road. Q And as I understand what you're telling me, if	2	A Probably 20 to 30 seconds.
2	you had taken the handlebars and stood it straight up	3	Q All right. And as I understand it, because of
}	you had taken the nandebals and stood it straight up	4	the lighting situation or just because of your attention
1	without changing the way it was laying on the ground, that	5	being on something else, you did not during that 20 to 30
	it would have been heading largely southbound but at a	6	seconds see where or the people were or what they we
	little bit of an angle; is that fair?	7	doing at that time?
7	A That's correct, yes.	8	A No, I didn't.
3	Q Do you have any understanding, Mr. Richardson,	9	MR. SPARROW: I think that's all I have. Has
	from any source as to how long that motorcycle had been on		somebody else got questions?
	the ground prior to this wreck?	10	MR. GARRETT: Yeah. This is Brett Garrett for
1	A No, I don't.	11	Christy Champion. I've got a few if nobody objects to
2	MR. SPARROW: Hello? Anybody there?	12	
3	MS. HAMMETT: Yes. Who is that?	13	it. MS. HAMMETT: No, go ahead.
4	MR. GARRETT: I can't hear his answer either.	14	CROSS-EXAMINATION
5	This is Brett.	15	
3	A Okay. No, I don't have any idea how long the	16	BY MR. GARRETT:
7	motorcycle was there. My judgment would be that it was not	17	Q Mr. Richardson, how are you doing? This is
8	long only based on the fact that I saw what appeared to be	18	Brett Garrett. I represent Christy Champion. I've got
9	two figures going away from it. But I have no other way of	19	just a few questions for you.
0	judging it.	20	A Okay.
1	MS. HAMMETT: Did everyone hear that?	21	Q I understand you were traveling southbound on
2	MR. SPARROW: Yes.	22	and you stated your wife was with you. Was she in the
3	MR, GARRETT: Yes.	23	passenger seat?
4	BY MR. SPARROW:	24	A Yes, she was.
25	Q Have you been back by this area since the wreck?	25	Q And you testified earlier that it was actually
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	MS. HAMMETT: And I objected to the form. Go	2	A That's correct.
2		3	Q So you drove from Troy to Dothan?
	nead and answer. And I said pretty much so.	4	A That was when we were getting ready to come back
	as a large independ if your wife cast if		to Thomasville. So on the way I stopped by there, yes.
Q	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	6	Q Okay. And do you remember who you spoke with
	or second?	7	the highway patrol?
7 A	No. My judgment is we both saw it about the same	8	A No, I don't. But the officer had me write out a
3 time.		9	report, which I did. And I know he signed it but I didn't
9 Q		10	get a copy of it.
	or if she did?	11	Q Okay. And did you you said later that you
1 A		12	you said sometime you gave a recorded statement. Whe
2 Q		13	would you have given the recorded statement?
3 the -	- that the you first noticed the motorcycle in	14	A It was sometime after the accident. Several
	t of your vehicle at approximately, you said, 20 or	15	weeks. And it was – I'm not sure which law office that
5 30 f e		16	called me.
	At the most.		Q So several weeks after the accident an officer
7 Q	I understand that sometimes when you're dealing	18	called you at home; is that correct?
	speeds and distances, it kind of perception	19	A Yes, that's correct. But I don't know that it
	etimes is skewed.	20	was an officer. It was a lawyer.
0	Let me put that in terms of yards. Thirty feet	1	Q So you've given a taped statement to an attorney
1 is at	pout 10 yards, and that may give you kind of a bette	21	A Yes, sir.
2 perc	ception. Is your testimony the same, that you saw t	23	Q I'm sorry, I couldn't hear that. I apologize.
3 mot	orcycle 10 yards in front of your car?	24	Would you repeat that?
	My judgment is that it wasn't over 20 or 30 feet	25	A Yes, that's correct.
25 in fro	ont of the car when I saw it.	 	Page 32
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1 0	Okay. So that's approximately ten yards?	1	Q Now, what what attorney did you give the taped
2 A		2	statement to?
3 6	Well, three feet is a yard, I think. You know,	3	A I don't remember. I don't know. He sent me a
4 so-	•	4	typed up interpretation – his interpretation of our
5 A	A Oh, okay.	5	conversation. And I made a few minor corrections and sent
	lt just helps perception is sometimes tricky	6	it back to him in the envelope that he provided.
7 at n	ight. You know, you're looking through your	7	MR. GARRETT: Okay. Let me go off the record for
8 hea	dlights, you're moving quickly, and sometimes it wi	II 8	a second.
9 help	o people kind of get a better grasp on it if you talk ir	1 9	MS. HAMMETT: Hold on one second. Hold one.
10 tern	ns of yards on a football field. And I was just	10	Hold on.
11 wor	ndering if that maybe changed your opinion on the	11	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Am I supposed to go off?
12 dist	tance.	12	MS. HAMMETT: Yeah, go off.
13 A	No, sir, it was about ten yards, I'd say, or	13	MR. SPARROW: That may be me, guys.
14 sligl	htly less.	14	MS. HAMMETT: Hold on one second. Callen -
, T 31191	Q Okay. And you said that you who did you call	15	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the record.
15 (next morning to report what you had seen in this	16	(Off the record.)
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1	A That's correct.	1	Q Okay. So when you when you saw that
2	Q Now, when you say rear view mirror, were you	2	motorcycle in the road, at that moment you had no idea wh
3	focussed on the central rear view mirror or was it the left	ŧ 3	the motorcycle was in the highway; is that right?
4	or right side mirrors?	4	A That is correct.
5	A Pretty much the center of the rear view mirror.	5	Q You had not seen what is now known as the
6	I adjusted my position so I could see it in the rear view	6	accident between Michael Adkins and Ms. Champion; is th
7	mirror.	7	right?
8	Q Okay. And at any time did you turnaround and	8	A That's correct.
9	look at the accident?	9	Q Okay. And the next morning when you woke up and
10	A After the truck came to a stop and the huge ball	10	heard the news reports about this accident, your
11	of fire went up, I then turned around and looked at it.	11	understanding was that no one at that point knew that the
12	Q Okay. As you were traveling down the road while	:12	motorcycle was involved; is that right?
13	you were looking in your rear view mirror, was your wife	13	A It was not mentioned in the news report.
14	turned around in her seat watching this thing happen?	14	Therefore, I felt like I needed to come forward and make
5	A I'm not even sure. I assume she probably was.	15	sure they knew about it.
6	Q And when at any time when you spoke with the	16	Q Okay. And at that moment your opinion was that
17	police, did they give you their opinion of the cause of the	e17	that motorcycle was the cause of this accident; is that
18	accident that left the motorcycle in the road?	18	right?
19	A The officer I gave the report to told me that the	19	A Yes, it is.
20	motorcycle had just had an accident, had run into the back	20	Q And that was before you knew that that motorcycle
21	of a car. That's what he told me. That's as much as I	21	had been involved in a previous accident; is that correct?
22	know.	22	A That's correct.
23	Q And do you know who what officer that would	23	MR. GARRETT: I object to the form of that
24	have been?	24	question.
25	A No, I don't.	25	MS. HAMMETT: Who was that that -
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	Q Give me one second and let me look over that.	1	MR. GARRETT: I apologize.
1	1	2	MS. HAMMETT: Who objected?
2	That may be it. MR. GARRETT: That's all I've got.	3	MR. GARRETT: Brett Garrett on behalf of
3	MR. HUNTER: All right. This is Jeff Hunter.	4	Christy Champion object to the form of that past -
4	CROSS-EXAMINATION	5	that last question.
5		6	MS. HAMMETT: Okay. We can go on now.
6	BY MR. HUNTER: Q Mr. Richardson, I'm going to try to be very	7	BY MR. HUNTER:
7	brief. I think most of the questions that I was going to	8	Q Mr. Richardson, did you stop your vehicle after
8	ask you have already been asked of you.	9	the accident?
9	Let me let me go back and ask you a few	10	A Yes. By the time the accident was in progress, I
10	things. Did you spend the night that night in Troy?	11	was almost completely stopped. By the time the truck got
11	A Yes, I did.	12	to the left side of the road I was completely stopped.
12		13	Q Okay. Did you get out of the vehicle and speak
13		14	to anyone at the scene?
14	in Troy that day? A Our good friend, his – her brother-in-law was	15	A No, I didn't.
15	having a funeral. He had died. And we went to the funeral	16	Q Okay. Do you remember how long you remained
16	which was the night of the accident. And this accident	17	the scene of the accident?
17	happened after the funeral, after we had left the funeral.	18	A I didn't. We found the route to get around it
18 19	Q Okay. And where were you headed to when you s	}	almost immediately and went on.
	the accident occur?	20	Q Okay. The two figures that you testified that
20	A We were going to Wal-Mart.	21	you saw off to the side of the road, did you ever see tho
21	Q Okay. And I believe you testified you had passed	1 -	individuals after you passed through and had stopped y
	the Wal-Mart and were looking for a place to turn around	23	vehicle?
22		a	
23			A No. I didn't.
	is that right? A That's correct.	24 25	A No, I didn't.Q Okay. And you testified that before you saw the

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1	motorcycle in the road, you had not been passed by a	1	investigation, is one of the pages.
2	motorcycle headed down Highway 231; is that right?	2	I'm going to give – we'll mark this as Exhibit 1.
3	A That's correct.	3	(Exhibit No. 1 was marked for identification.)
4	Q Okay.	4	A Okay.
5	MR. HUNTER: Mr. Richardson, thank you. That's	5	BY MS. HAMMETT:
6	all I have.	6	Q Does that look familiar to you? Have you ever
7	MS. HAMMETT: This is Katie. I'm going to do a	7	seen that before?
8	few clean-up questions.	8	A Yes, I wrote this.
9	MR. MANAUSA: I don't think I have anything else.	9	Q And that's your signature at the bottom?
10	MS. HAMMETT: This is are you-all there? Can	10	A Yes, it is.
11	you hear me? This is Katie.	11	Q And do you see whose name that you gave this
12	MR. SPARROW: Yes.	12	statement to?
	MS. HAMMETT: Ok. I've got a few follow-up	13	A Trooper Kevin D. Cook.
13		14	Q Does that refresh your recollection now as to who
4	questions. MR. SPARROW: Okay.	15	you spoke with?
15	REDIRECT EXAMINATION	16	A I'm sure that was him but
16		17	Q Okay. Can I ask you just to read over this and
17	BY MS. HAMMETT: Q Mr. Richardson, where in Troy, Alabama had you		see if this is still what you remember and if those were
18	qotten on Highway 231?	19	your did you actually physically write that statement
19	A At the funeral home which was I'm not sure	20	yourself?
20	where it is. I'm not that familiar with Troy, but it was	21	A I physically wrote this myself.
21		22	Q So that was your contemporaneous understanding
22	kind of in town. Q How far had you been traveling on Highway 231	23	what happened and how this accident occurred?
23	Q How far had you been davening on ringhway 201	24	A Yes.
24	before you approached the motorcycle? A I'm not sure how far. If you're familiar with it	25	Q Okay. And if you want to take a minute and look
25	A I'm not sure how far. If you're familiar with it Page 38		Page 40
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1	and you know where the Wal-Mart is, it looks to me when we	1	at it, I just want to ask you if you still agree with your
2	went back that we had passed the Wal-Mart approximately two	2	statement.
3	miles.	3	A (Examining document.)
4	Q You testified earlier that you gave a recorded	4	MR. GARRETT: While he's reading that, I'm sorry,
5	statement to someone, either an attorney or someone from a		he kind of blanked out on me again. This is Brett.
6	attorney's office?	6	MS. HAMMETT: Sure.
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2	in the right-hand lane. You were in the left-hand lane	2	
3	though really, weren't you?	3	STATE OF FLORIDA)
	A Yes, that's correct. I I skipped over that	4	COUNTY LEON)
4	when I just reread it. But that is correct, that was I	5	·
5	put that down incorrectly.	6	
6	Q Okay. I mean, I understand that you earlier had	7	
7	been in the right-hand lane but you testified you were in	8	· ·
8	the left-hand lane for about a half a mile before you got	9	
9		10	I, the undersigned authority, certify that said
10	to the motorcycle; right?	11	designated witness personally appeared before me and was
11	A Yes, that's correct. Q And also and I don't want to beat a dead	12	duly sworn.
12		13	
13	horse but in this statement you say you saw it ten feet	14	WITNESS my hand and official seal this 19th day
14	before you got to it. We kind of walked around that and	15	of April, 2006.
15	you now you now feel like it was probably closer to 20	16	
16	to 30 feet?	17	
17	A At the very most. I know it was very, very	18	
18	quickly that I saw it and I was past it. And I know that	19	
19	if I had been in the right lane, there is no way I could	20	
20	have avoided hitting it at still pretty high speeds of	21	LORI DEZELL, RPR, CCR
21	rate. I would not have been able		1-800-934-9090
22	Q And finally and again, nobody I understand	22	850-878-2221
23	you weren't out there with a tape measure but this	23	Carrie Cadification B 1013
24	statement says the truck was about 100 yards behind you.	24	Georgia Certification B-1013
25	And we now have discussed on numerous occasions that yo	µZ5	
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1	were a full quarter of a mile down the road before that	1	REPORTER'S DEPOSITION CERTIFICATE
2	impact occurred, right?	2	STATE OF FLORIDA)
3	A Yes, that's correct.	3	COUNTY OF LEON) I, LORI DEZELL, Registered Professional Reporter,
4	MR. SPARROW: Okay. That's all. I just wanted	4 5	certify that the foregoing proceedings were taken before me
5	to make sure we were all on the same page. Thank you,	6	at the time and place therein designated; that my shorthand
6	Mr. Richardson.	7	notes were thereafter translated under my supervision; and
7	MS. HAMMETT: Anyone have anything else?	8	the foregoing pages numbered 1 through 45 are a true and
8	MR. GILLUM: No. This is Randolph Gillum. I	9	correct record of the aforesaid proceedings.
9	haven't got any questions.	10	I further certify that I am not a relative,
10	MR. GARRETT: Brett Garrett doesn't have	11	employee, attorney or counsel of any of the parties, nor am
11	anything.	12	I a relative or employee of any of the parties' attorney or
12	MS. HAMMETT: Okay, This is Katie. I'm just	13	counsel connected with the action, nor am I financially interested in the action.
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